

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as shown below:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A data recording system, comprising:

a plurality of recording devices for recording data containing images and/or voice in a prescribed recording medium each of the recording devices directly recording data from outside the data recording system and playing back data to outside the data recording system;
and

a recording objective determination device comprising at least a recording objective determination means of for determining by a predetermined method, a specific one of said recording devices for recording the data among said plurality of recording devices, wherein said recording objective determination means automatically decides which recording device should record among said plurality of recording devices by said predetermined method.

Claim 2 (currently amended): A recording objective determination device, comprising at least:

recording objective determination means of determining by a predetermined method, a specific one of the recording devices for recording data among a plurality of recording devices each of which records data containing images and/or voice in a recording medium, each of the recording devices directly recording data from outside the data recording system and playing back data to outside the data recording system

wherein when the data is recorded, the data is recorded in said recording medium of said recording device determined by said recording objective determination means, and

said recording objective determination means automatically decides which recording device should record among said plurality of recording devices by said predetermined method.

Claim 3 (original): The recording objective determination device according to claim 2, wherein said predetermined method is to select any of said plurality of recording devices predetermined by a user.

Claim 4 (original): The recording objective determination device according to claim 3, wherein

at least one of said plurality of recording devices is a recording device using a removable recording medium of recording the data in a removable recording medium mounted on the device; and

said recording device selected in advance by the user is said recording device using a removable recording medium.

Claim 5 (previously presented) The recording objective determination device according to claim 2, wherein

a mode is provided in which said user can optionally select a recording device for recording the data; and

said recording objective determination device further comprising selection receipt means of accepting a selection of the user as to which mode is to be selected, a mode in which said recording objective determination means selects a recording device and a mode in which the user optionally selects a recording device.

Claim 6 (original): The recording objective determination device according to claim 5, further comprising use frequency check means of checking a use frequency of each of said plurality of recording devices in the past,

wherein when said selection receipt means accepts the user selection of the mode in which said recording objective determination means determines a recording device, said recording objective determination means selects a recording device having a highest use frequency checked by said use frequency check means as a predetermined method.

Claim 7 (original): The recording objective determination device according to claim 2, wherein

at least one of said plurality of recording devices is a recording device using a removable recording medium of recording the data in a removable recording medium mounted on the device; and

said predetermined method refers to a method of selecting said recording device using a removable recording medium when said removable recording medium is mounted on said recording device using a removable recording medium.

Claim 8 (original): The recording objective determination device according to any one of claims 2 to 7, wherein

when a remaining recording capacity of said recording medium in said recording device for recording objective determined by said recording objective determination means is equal to or smaller than a predetermined capacity, or when it is prohibited that data is newly recorded in said recording medium, said recording medium of said selected recording device for recording data does not record the data.

Claim 9 (currently amended): The recording objective determination device according to any one of claims 2 to 6 7, wherein

at least one of said plurality of recording devices is a recording device ~~using a removable recording medium of~~ recording the data ~~in on~~ a removable recording medium mounted on the device, and at least another recording device of said plurality of recording devices is a recording device using a fixed type recording medium ~~recording the data in a fixed type recording medium~~; and

~~when said recording objective determination device further comprising control means of controlling the data such that when said recording device for recording data, determined by said recording objective determination means is said recording device using a removable recording medium, and (1) no recording medium is mounted on said recording device using a removable recording medium, or (2) a remaining recording capacity of the mounted removable recording medium is equal to or smaller than a predetermined capacity, or (3) it is prohibited that data is newly recorded in said mounted removable recording medium,~~

~~the data can be recorded in the fixed type recording medium of said recording device using a fixed type recording medium~~ said recording objective determination device further comprises control means for causing data to be recorded on the fixed type recording medium of said recording device using the fixed type recording medium in the predetermined case.

Claim 10 (currently amended): A computer readable medium having a program ~~which when executed by for causing a computer~~ causes it to be configured and function as to serve as all or a part of: a recording objective determination device, comprising:

recording objective determination means for determining by a predetermined method, a specific one of a plurality of recording devices for recording data, each recording device being capable of recording data containing images and/or voice in a recording medium, each of the recording devices directly recording external data and playing back recorded data;

wherein when the data is recorded, the data is recorded in said recording medium of said recording device determined by said recording objective determination means, and said recording objective determination means automatically decides which recording device should record among said plurality of recording devices by said predetermined method.

~~said recording objective determination means of determining by a predetermined method, a recording device for recording data among a plurality of recording devices each of which records data containing images and/or voice in a recording medium; in a said recording objective determination device of Claim 2.~~

Claim 11 (previously presented): The recording objective determination device according to claim 9, wherein (1) after the removable recording medium is mounted on said recording device using a removable recording medium, or (2) after the removable recording medium having a predetermined amount of remaining recording capacity is mounted on said recording device using a removable recording medium, or (3) after the removable recording medium permitted to record new data is mounted on said recording device using a removable recording medium, the data recorded in the fixed type recording medium can be recorded in the removable recording medium.

12 (New) The recording objective determination device according to claim 9 wherein the predetermined case is that no recording medium is mounted on said recording device using a removable recording medium.

13 (New) The recording objective determination device according to claim 9 wherein the predetermined case is that a remaining recording capacity of the mounted removable recording medium is equal to or smaller than a predetermined capacity.

14. (New) The recording objective determination device according to claim 9 wherein the predetermined case is that it is prohibited that data is newly recorded in said mounted removable recording medium.